ADJOURNMENT MOTION

re. the arrest of Mr. P. S. Namboodiri.

Mr. President.—I have received a notice of an adjournment motion from the Hon'ble Member, Mr. Ibrahim. The wording of the motion shows that it is sub judice.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim *(Cranganur)*.—Sir, my adjournment motion does not contemplate to raise issues that will come up before the tribunal. My adjournment motion is mainly concerned with raising the question of an invidious harrassment to this particular gentlemen, to point out that where an ordinary summons would have been sufficient in a criminal defamation case, a warrant has been issued to take him into custody which amounts to indiscriminatory treatments, accorded to the cause of labour. It is to protest against that particular point that I want to raise a discussion.

Mr. President.—Even assuming that it is possible to discuss the topic raised by Mr. Ibrahim apart from the facts of the case, the answer is very simple. It was only last week that the President of the Legislative Assembly gave a very definite ruling defining that where an officer of Government has issued an order in accordance with the ordinary law of the land that subject cannot form the subject of an adjournment motion. If this Magistrate who issued an arrest warrant was authorised to issue that warrant under the law of the land that cannot be made a subject for an adjournment motion. On the other hand, if he issued a warrant which is not provided for in the ordinary Criminal Procedure Code, then I can allow it. Therefore, I cannot allow it. The motion is disallowed.

Standing Finance Committee Members for 1112—1113 M. E.

Mr. President.—Three nominations have been received for the election of the members of the Standing Finance Committee, (1) Mr. P. Kumaram Ezhuthassan, (2) Mr. A. V. Moothedan and (3) Mr. A. Narayana Menon. As there are no other suggestions these gentlemen will be the members of the Standing Finance Committee.

The Cochin Nair Regulation Amendment Bill.

Mr. P. Govinda Menon *(Adur)*.—Mr. President, Sir, I move that the Cochin Nayar Regulation Amendment Bill as

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